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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Personal Property Claim [REDACTED]

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1. In accordance with the provisions of Regulation [REDACTED] the attached claim for loss of and damages to personal property submitted by subject claimant was considered by the Headquarters Board of Survey at its meetings held 26 May 1955, 29 June 1955, 28 July 1955, 30 November 1955, and 5 January 1956. This claim requests reimbursement in the amount of \$320.91 for the loss of and damages to personal effects which were shipped in conjunction with the claimant's Army orders dated 22 June 1951, transferring him to the Agency from Fort Campbell, Kentucky. While Capt. [REDACTED] effects were shipped under Army orders, it is believed that the circumstances of his being assigned to the Agency at its request, together with transportation costs being reimbursed, have the effect of transforming Capt. [REDACTED] Army orders into what was actually Agency orders.

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2. An inventory list (noting poor packing) was obtained on 18 July 1955, from the [REDACTED] and compared with the claimant's listing. The Board returned the claim to Capt. [REDACTED] after the 28 July 1955 meeting for additional information pertaining to purchase date and prices of items and conditions of packing. Capt. [REDACTED] subsequently appeared before the 30 November 1955 Board meeting to personally defend his claim, and submitted a complete new statement of the circumstances of his claim.

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3. The claimant stated that he had received orders from the Army transferring him to the Agency in June 1951. At that time, due to the outbreak of the Korean War, it was the policy of the Army and the contract carrier (Jeff Hammond Movers, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, to pick up household effects and pack same for safe shipment and storage at the company's warehouse. Shortly after Captain [REDACTED] reported to Agency duty, he was assigned to an overseas post and was instructed by the Agency to have his effects not being sent overseas retained in storage with the [REDACTED]. The storage company stated later in a letter dated 8 December 1953, that Capt. [REDACTED] effects were poorly packed for safe shipment when received from Kentucky; however, they did not inform him of this condition at any time during the period of storage (approximately two years). The property was received by the claimant, November 1953, in the same plastic clothing bags and cardboard containers in which they were taken from him, even though the Jeff Hammond Company had assured him they would properly repack his clothing in mothproof cabinets and his paintings would be packed with a separate wooden frame around them.

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4. Two reasons preclude the submission of this claim to the Army. (1) Although the Army paid for handling, packing, and shipping the effects to Washington, a claim cannot be filed with the services after two years. (2) The storage was the responsibility of the Agency; however,  during his two years overseas assignment, security implications preclude submission

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5. The Headquarters Board of Survey finds that subject individual has suffered a loss which was caused through no negligence on his part during his services directly related to the Agency. The Board recommends that the claim be approved in the following manner:

Items depreciated by Finance Div.	\$153.73
Cost of Cleaning & Demoting Effects	29.90
Repair of Two Oil Paintings	25.00
Repair of Sterling Pitcher	5.00
Repair of Sterling Tea Service	5.00
Repair of Mahogany Table	8.00
Repair of Oriental Rug	23.16
	<u>\$249.79</u>

6. In view of the security factors incident to subject individual's former assignment in the field station, it is necessary that any reimbursement on claim be made from Confidential Funds.

**CHIEF**  
 Headquarters Board of Survey

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**Attachment:**  
**Claim File**

**CONCURRENCES:**

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 Office of the General Counsel

3 Feb 1956  
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 Office of the Comptroller

27 JAN 1956  
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